

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 46, held on October 16, 2006 at Woodview School, 340 Alleghany Rd., Grayslake, IL.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Davis.

ROLL CALL: Davis, Facklam, Hannan, Rohrer, Surroz & Weinert. Coe Peek arrived at 8:13 p.m. Correll, Aggen and Barkley were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance took place at this time.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Hannan and seconded by Facklam to approve the agenda for 10/16/06, as presented. A roll call vote was taken:

Davis - aye	Weinert - aye
Facklam - aye	Hannan - aye
Coe Peek - absent	Rohrer - aye
Surroz - aye	

6 ayes 0 nays 1 absent Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public Comment was offered at 7:32 p.m.

Lainey Rizzo stated she would like the board to look into why her son was allowed to participate in an activity at school that could be harmful to his health because of a prior injury. She stated it appears his needs are currently not being met and would like this situation to be corrected as soon as possible.

Diane Nelson, brain injury advocate, also expressed her concern regarding Lainey's son participating in an activity very dangerous to his health because of a prior brain injury. She asked the board look into why Lainey's son is not on an IEP and only a 504 because his condition will be long term.

Lennie Jarratt asked the board to review what enrollment will be next year and to focus on adding on to Madrona verses updating Woodview and Avon.

Lennie Jarratt encouraged the board to vote to abate the bonds this evening.

Laura Hobart stated she feels Avon is one of the best schools in the district but does not look like it. Laura asked the board to approve to update Avon when voting tonight. Laura suggested that the Avon improvements include the following: multipurpose room, larger kindergarten space, storage space, new entry area, larger nurse's office with a sink, wheelchair access, and updates to the playground.

Leigh Ann Pickens stated that Avon is a great school with a lot of potential and that it would be beneficial to the students and staff for the building to be updated.

Sondra Adam expressed her concern that students are not being escorted to and from the mobiles at Woodview, and reminded the board that Woodview has only one staff bathroom. Sondra requested the board to consider the needs of the staff and students when voting on whether or not to update Woodview.

Leigh Ann Mariska voiced her support to update Woodview.

Public Comment ended at 7:48 p.m.

**CONSENT
AGENDA I:**

A motion was made by Weinert and seconded by Hannan to approve the consent agenda and accounts payable, as presented.

Amounts paid from each fund are as follows:

Education Fund - \$121,780.31
O & M Fund - \$23,303.77
Transportation - \$251,430.25
Capital Improvements - \$1,010,784.90
Total - \$1,407,784.90

A roll call vote was taken:

Davis - aye	Weinert - aye
Facklam - aye	Hannan - aye
Coe Peek - absent	Rohrer - aye
Surroz - aye	

6 ayes 0 nays 1 absent Motion carried.

**CONSENT
AGENDA II:**

A motion was made by Hannan and seconded by Weinert to approve the personnel report, as presented. A roll call vote was taken:

Davis - aye	Weinert - aye
Facklam - aye	Hannan - abstain
Coe Peek - absent	Rohrer - aye
Surroz - aye	

5 ayes 0 nays 1 absent 1 abstain Motion carried.

**BOARD/SUPT.
REPORTS:**

Karen Weinert thanked the Middle School for e-mailing Friday updates to parents.

Jill Rohrer thanked Frederick for also keeping parents informed by sending Friday updates via email.

Jill Rohrer stated she received positive feedback from a teacher in regard to the new database.

Jill Rohrer stated she received a call from a concerned parent regarding the cost of band and chorus, and was asked if a booster club could be started.

Sue Facklam thanked the teachers for conferences and mentioned she enjoyed helping with the teacher dinner.

Cheryl Davis thanked the teachers for conference week.

Supt. Correll gave a friendly reminder that there is a half day institute on Thursday; therefore students will only be in school for a half day.

Supt. Correll announced that Woodview had a heating problem today. All rooms were checked and none of them were cooler than sixty eight degrees.

Supt. Correll suggested to the board that there only be one board meeting in November due to scheduling in November.

Consensus - The board gave their consensus to only have one meeting for the month of November.

Supt. Correll asked the board if they would like to have a dinner with the leadership team prior to the board meeting on November 6th?

Supt. Correll reminded the board that the boundary software presentation is not to show what the boundaries will look like, but what the software can do.

Supt. Correll suggested the board consider holding off on making any major boundary changes until the 2008-09 school year, in order to have more time to review what development is and will be taking place.

NEW BUSINESS:

A First Look at Boundary Software

Carl Baxmeyer presented to the board an initial view of software that will assist in helping to determine boundary possibilities for the present and for the future.

Supt. Correll suggested that she and Carl review the areas that will clearly go to Madrona and come back with figures at the next board meeting.

Consensus - The board agreed to have Supt. Correll and Carl Baxmeyer review the figures and present the information at the next board meeting.

Sue Facklam stated that in the spirit of compromise, she would support the board putting off making major boundary changes.

Update on Band and Chorus

Lynn Barkley presented an update to the board on band and chorus programs. Lynn stated that numbers indicate there has been a decline in participation and the High School has voiced concern in regards to lower enrollment in these activities.

Lynn recommended that the board have a decision by February as to whether or not they want the band and chorus instructor to be an in house position or if they will continue to out source the program.

Financial Report

Dan Aggen updated the board on the District's investment summary. He stated the audit has been completed and would be presenting audit findings at the next board meeting.

Energy Consortium

Dan Aggen explained the energy consortium that the District is a participant of. He explained that there are five elected members in the ICR and the goal of this co-op is to keep natural resources at a reasonable rate. This will help keep our energy increases to a minimum.

Agenda Items for November 6, 2006

Audit

Leadership Team presenting ISAT

Boundary Discussion

Curriculum Update

Future Agenda Items

Vision

Minutes

ACTION ITEMS:

WOODVIEW/AVON

PROJECTS:

A motion was made by Coe Peek and seconded by Hannan to approve the Woodview/Avon Projects. A roll call vote was taken:

Davis - aye

Weinert - aye

Facklam - nay

Hannan - aye

Coe Peek - nay

Rohrer - nay

Surroz - aye

4 ayes

3 nays

0 absent

Motion carried

Sue Facklam stated the following:

This vote is to spend 5.6 million to add 4 permanent classrooms and a multipurpose room and remove the mobile classrooms at Woodview School; add 3 permanent classrooms and renovate 3 others, and add a multipurpose room at Avon School; additionally we need to add other improvements at Avon such as an elevator to comply with the ADA, which had previously been grandfathered due to the age of the school.

This specific action item that we are considering today certainly has some merit. However, at this time, I feel as though we are moving too quickly to make a decision without more careful exploration of alternative options. I do understand that there are some concerns among Woodview parents about the mobile classrooms. I acknowledge that when they were placed there it was believed that they would last for 10 years, so they are nearing the end of that time span.

I do support adding multipurpose rooms for both Woodview and Avon. However, I think we need to carefully consider our options before approving additional classroom space. One of my biggest concerns is the impact of the number of children in grades 5 thru 8; with the information we have been given thus far Frederick School and Grayslake Middle School will continue to be over capacity, even with the opening of Madrona School for the 2007-2008 school year.

I believe before going forward with this specific project we need to carefully consider all the issues affecting the entire district and develop and approve a comprehensive plan that addresses all of our facility needs. In my opinion, we should do this before agreeing to go ahead with this project at this time.

So, due to the above stated reasons it is my vote 'no.'

**ABATEMENT
OF 1999
BONDS:**

A motion was made by Rohrer and seconded by Coe Peek to approve abating the 1999 bonds, in total. A roll call vote was taken:

Davis - nay	Weinert - nay
Facklam - aye	Hannan - nay
Coe Peek - aye	Rohrer - aye
Surroz - nay	

3 ayes 4 nays 0 absent Motion defeated.

Kristen Coe Peek stated for the record:

If I knew one year ago what I know today, I would have never approved the issuance of the 1999 bonds. I sit here today knowing that the prior issuance of the bonds had a premium attached to them and the ownership community approved roughly 23 million, not 30 million. The choice is clear, the additional dollar amount was not approved and therefore must be abated. I am in favor of abating the 1999 bonds issued one year ago.

**ABATEMENT
OF 1999
BONDS:**

A motion was made by Surroz and seconded by Rohrer to approve abating \$6.9 million of the 1999 bonds, that portion that was premium. A roll call vote was taken:

Davis - nay	Weinert - nay
Facklam - aye	Hannan - nay
Coe Peek - aye	Rohrer - aye
Surroz - aye	

4 ayes 3 nays 0 absent Motion carried.

**PUBLIC
COMMENT:**

Public Comment was offered at 9:20 p.m.

Mary Jane Lucas stated that it appears the board has taxed the community without their permission and asked if she can take legal action in regard to this. Mary Jane asked the board how much the District's assessed value has increased, and if they are now operating in the black.

Nancy Kaiser thanked the board for asking for an update on the music program. Nancy expressed her concern with the low enrollment numbers and asked the board to bring back the music program for the following school year.

Joanne Moshay thanked the board for approving the RFP for Woodview.

Joanne expressed her concern in regard to the low fine arts enrollment.

Lennie Jarratt stated he would like the community to also receive the Frederick and the Middle School newsletters.

Dayna Staff stated she feels it is a cost savings to the District by investing in early child centers.

Nadia Ahmed thanked the board for saying yes to the Woodview expansion.

Annie Caliendo thanked the board for saying yes to update Woodview.

Annie stated she feels it is a huge loss to the students of District 46 to not have a strong music program.

Public Comment ended at 9:26 p.m.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Facklam and seconded by Hannan to adjourn at 9:27 p.m. A roll call vote was taken:

Davis - aye

Facklam - aye

Coe Peek - aye

Surroz - aye

Weinert - aye

Hannan - aye

Rohrer - aye

7 ayes

0 nays

0 absent

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shawna Desecki, Secretary

Cheryl Davis, President

The Superintendent recommends approval of the Personnel Report, as presented:

• **Appointments:**

Jill Alfred - PV Program Asst.
Brian Cepeda - WV Program Asst.
Darlene Craig - WV Program Asst.
Judy Zandrowicz - DO Payroll/Accounts Payable

• **Reassignments:**

Bambi Johnston from WV Program Asst. to Health Clerk